without minimising the importance of increasing exports from the other sectors. The 15 thrust sectors are: (1) Tea, especially in package and value added forms; (2) Cereals, (3) Processed foods, including fruit and juices, meat and meat products and fresh fruits & vegetables; (4) Marine products, especially in valueadded forms; (5) Iron ore; (6) Leather and leather manufactures, with an emphasis on the latter; (7) Handicrafts and jewellery; (8) Capital goods and consumer durables; (9) Electronic goods and computer software; (10) Basic chemicals; (11) Fabrics, piece-goods and made-ups; (12) Readymade garments; (13) Woollen fabrics and knitwear; (14) Projects and services; and (15) Granite.

Income-Tax outstanding against top 20 Defaulters

2789. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of income-tax outstanding against each of the top 20 defaulters as on March 1, 1992; and

(b) the steps being taken to recover the outstanding dues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) The latest information compiled by the Ministry regarding 20 taxpayers against whom maximum amount of income-tax demand was outstanding, is as on 31.12.1991 and it is given in the statement enclosed.

(b) Suitable administrative and legal steps are taken to recover the outstanding dues and recovery action in all these cases is periodically monitored at the level of Commissioner of Income-tax and above. In most of the cases demand is disputed in appeals, etc. and the appellate authorities have been requested to dispose of the appeals on priority basis. In some cases, adjustment of tax refunds against these demands or appeal effect or verification of tax payments in pending.

STATEMENT

S.No.	*Name of the persons*	*Amount of Income-tax demand outstanding as on 31.12.1991 (Rs. in crores)*
1.	Oil & Natural Gas Commission	495.81
2.	GTC Industries Ltd.	179.66
3.	Peerless General Finance & Investment Co., Ltd.	119.38
4.	Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.	109.11
5.	State Bank of India	82.62
6.	Hindustan Cables Ltd.	63.12 *
7.	Dunlop India Ltd.	59.99

S.No.	Name of the persons	Amount of Income-tax demand outstanding as on 31.12.1991 (Rs. in crores)
8.	Continental Construction Ltd.	47.53
9.	National Organic Chemical Industries Ltd.	47.17
10.	Aditya Finance & Inv. (I) Ltd.	45.63
11.	United Bank of India	44.61
12.	Modi Rubber Ltd.	40.73
13.	Deposit Insurance & Credit Guarantee Corporation	37.53
14.	Modi Pon Ltd.	36.38
15.	Reliance Petro Chemicals Ltd.	33.88
16.	J.K. Synthetics Ltd.	32.02
17.	Escorts Ltd.	31.74
18.	Sanchaita Investment	30.81
19.	Vinod Kumar Didwania	31.34
20.	Sukar Bhai Narain Bhai Bakhia	30.39

* Subsequently, the demand has been reduced to NIL.

Disinvestment of Share Capital in Banks

2790. SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU:
SHRIMATI DIPIKA H. TOPIWALA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to dis-invest their share capital in public sector banks;

(b) if so, whether the Government propose to allot such disinvested share capital to the employees of the respective banks; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration of Government at present.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.